

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

Sunday, Jan. 10 9:00 a.m.	Baptism of the Lord +Anna Cordero by Leila Ledesma (Msgr. Fred)
10:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Celebrant (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Msgr. Fred)
1:00 p.m.	Distribution of Communion
Monday, Jan. 11 7:00 a.m.	Prayer/Communion Service
Tuesday, Jan. 12 12:00 p.m.	Jimmy & Joyce Jay Anniversary by Jim Sulliman (Msgr. Fred)
Wednesday, Jan. 13 7:00 a.m.	+Mary Rahe by Tom & Pam Mann (Msgr. Fred)
Thursday, Jan. 14 7:00 a.m.	+Oscar Remmler by Tom & Pam Mann (Msgr. Fred)
Friday, Jan. 15 9:00 a.m.	+Dottie & Leonard Trent by Tom & Pam Mann (Msgr. Fred)
Saturday, Jan. 16 4:00 p.m.	Mass Recorded Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred)
5:30 p.m.	+Carol Bliznak by Johnny Bliznak (Msgr. Fred)
6:30 p.m.	Distribution of Communion
Sunday, Jan. 17 9:00 a.m.	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time +Joyce Martin by Bob Martin (Msgr. Fred)
10:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Celebrant (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Msgr. Fred)
1:00 p.m.	Distribution of Communion



Sunday Jan. 10 Remote Classes	Baptism of the Lord 1-6 th Grade
Monday, Jan. 11 6:45 p.m.	Celebration Choir Practice
Tuesday, Jan. 12 11:30 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred) – Rm 101 RCIA – Parish Center
7:00-8:45 p.m.	
Wednesday, Jan. 13 Remote Classes	7-12 Religious Education Adult Scripture Study – Parish Center Parish Choir Practice
6:00-7:30 p.m.	
7:00-9:00 p.m.	
Thursday, Jan. 14 9:15-11:30 a.m.	Women’s Scripture Study – Parish Center
Friday, Jan. 15 8:30-9:00 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred) – Rm 101
Saturday, Jan. 16 4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Msgr. Fred) – Rm 101
4:45-5:15 p.m.	Sabbath Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, Jan. 17 Remote Classes	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 1-6 th Grade

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Veronica Bartosh, Joyce Bayer, Harold Bush, Lorie Frieberg, Sonia Gallagher, Orlando Garcia, Manuel Hernandez, John Higuera, Kathy Jones, Jim Lessin, Jim Luyet, Mickey Mathis, Mary Mendez, Max Mendez, Terry Novak, Claudette Perry, Pamela Poole, Joey Schaefer, Sandy Sherman, Gary Thompson, Octaviano Villanueva, Maureen White. *Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks unless the office is notified.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the soul of Chloe Syzmanski. We pray her family will be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, and that she and all the faithful departed may rest in peace through God’s mercy.

FR. MAMACHAN JOSEPH IS AWAY for vacation, visiting his family in Kerala, India. He is expected to return January 26, 2021. Please keep him in your prayers.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SCRIPTURE STUDY has resumed for the New Year. The class began as a women's scripture study, and has grown to include both men and women. Meetings are held from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the parish center. We are currently studying the Book of Genesis. If you are interested in joining us, please call Pamela Mann at 325-668-8595.

THE 5:30 P.M. SATURDAY MASS IS RECORDED and posted to our website and Facebook page. For those who are in attendance during the recording of Mass, please be aware that by attending this liturgy you acknowledge and consent that you may be recorded during this event.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION WHEN WEARING FACE MASKS. When you approach the minister to receive Holy Communion, please remove your face mask and consume the consecrated host immediately before returning to your pew. Please do not carry the host back with you to your seat.

WE ARE UPDATING THE MINISTRY SCHEDULE that we used before the changes brought about by the coronavirus pandemic. If you are an altar server, a lector or Eucharistic minister, you will soon receive a letter asking you to update your status. Please respond before February 1st so that we can prepare a schedule to begin March 1, 2021.

2021 CALENDARS are available in the church office. Every parish family is invited to pick one up during office hours: 9 AM – 5 PM, Monday-Friday.

Baptism of the Lord

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE is steadily increasing. We are excited that more parishioners are returning to Mass. As you know, our seating is limited because of the social distancing requirements. Once our allowable seating is filled, additional people must not be admitted to the church building. Ushers will post a sign outside the church entrance asking that you wait in your car, listen to a remote Mass from your car, and come inside at the end of Mass to receive Communion. Other options are also available. The 5:30 p.m. Mass is recorded and posted on our website and Facebook page for viewing on Sunday. You might watch the recorded Mass at home and come to the church to receive Communion, or you may choose to attend another weekend Mass, or a weekday Mass.

VOCATION CROSS FOR THE HOME: Please volunteer to take home the Vocation Cross that is located on the table in the church foyer. The parish is invited to join your family in praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

CONGRATULATIONS to Father Tony Franco, who was appointed by Bishop Michael Sis, as parochial administrator of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Eldorado, along with the mission churches of Immaculate Conception in Knickerbocker and St. Peter in Mertzon.

WEST TEXAS FOR LIFE will sponsor a “March for Life” event on Saturday, January 23 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. They will meet in the north parking lot of the Abilene Convention Center, walk a short route through downtown Abilene and end up back at the Convention Center. Bring your energy, your hope, and your prayers. We walk to fight for the Sanctity of Life. Please join us and lend your support as we walk to save the lives of unborn babies.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: December 31, 2020 through January 3, 2021, with 1286 families:

Envelopes and Checks	20,741.70
Loose Plate	893.00
Other Receipts/Contributions	3,917.07
Building Fund.....	587.00
 Total Income.....	 26,137.77

Dear Padre...

My fiancée was baptized in the Lutheran Church. If she becomes Catholic, will she be baptized again?

A person can be validly baptized only once, whether in or out of the Catholic Church. Catholics believe three things are necessary for a valid baptism: baptizing in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; flowing water; and the intention of the “minister” to baptize using the form (words of the Trinitarian formula) and matter (flowing water) needed for a valid baptism.

Orthodox and most Protestant baptisms are recognized by the Catholic Church. However, the Catholic Church does not recognize as valid baptisms performed by Christian communities that don’t believe in the Trinity—Jehovah’s Witnesses and Mormons, for example. These communities may use the same matter (flowing water), but they don’t have the same form (Trinitarian formula) or intention in their baptism.

If your fiancée decides to become Catholic, she will need to attend Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults sessions, make her first Communion and reconciliation, and be confirmed, but she has already been validly baptized and will not need to be baptized again.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR

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